BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 92-208-E - ORDER NO. 94-970

SEPTEMBER 21, 1994

IN RE: Duke Power Company - Integrated Resource Plan (IRP).

ORDER CLOSING

PROGRAM

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the June 1, 1994, letter of Duke Power Company (Duke or the Company) requesting Commission approval to close the High Efficiency Agricultural Ventilation Payment Program. Duke provided copies of its request to the parties of record in this Docket, and no comments were filed with the Commission by any party.

According to its letter, Duke is seeking to close the High Efficiency Agricultural Ventilation Payment Program because Duke believes that the program is no longer needed. Duke states that the intent of the program was to move the agricultural market to purchase high efficiency fan systems in Duke's service area. Duke expects to have provided incentives for 4500 high efficiency fan systems, representing 80% of the available market, by the close of the program. Duke states that the program has raised the awareness of equipment purchasers and has resulted in manufacturers improving the energy efficiency of their product lines while lowering the cost of the high efficiency equipment. Therefore, Duke asserts that the program is no longer needed to cause the installation of

high efficiency agricultural fan systems.

Duke proposes to provide payment for qualifying fan systems installed before October 1, 1994. Further, Duke plans to accept and process rebate applications and to inspect systems until December 1, 1994.

The Commission has examined this matter and believes that the closing of the High Efficiency Agricultural Ventilation Payment Program is consistent with Commission approved procedures.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Duke shall continue to provide payment for qualifying fan systems installed before October 1, 1994, and shall accept and process rebate applications and to inspect such fan systems until December 1, 1994.
- 2. Duke shall then be allowed to close its High Efficiency Agricultural Ventilation Payment Program.
- 3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Rudoly Mitchell

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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